

SENATE BILL 3199

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AN ACT relative to hazardous duty pay for certain state employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. There is created a special joint committee to study the provision of hazardous duty pay to state employees who perform potentially dangerous tasks or assignments, including, but not limited to, those employed by the Department of Correction, Department of Transportation, Department of Human Services, and Department of Children's Services.

SECTION 2. The special joint committee shall consist of the following twelve (12) members:

- (1) Three (3) members of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker of the house;
- (2) Three (3) members of the senate, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate;
- (3) The commissioner of correction, or the commissioner's designee;
- (4) The commissioner of transportation, or the commissioner's designee;
- (5) The commissioner of human services, or the commissioner's designee;
- (6) The commissioner of children's services, or the commissioner's designee;
- (7) The commissioner of human resources, or the commissioner's designee; and

(8) One (1) representative of the Tennessee State Employees Association.

SECTION 3. All appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

SECTION 4. All legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the general assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the general assembly.

SECTION 5. The special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the general assembly, and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

SECTION 6. The special joint committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the 108th General Assembly no later than February 1, 2013, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.